

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph from page 7 (line 26) to page 8 (line 6) as follows:

This embodiment of the invention provides a method for constructing grammars for speech-controlled, interactive applications that provides television viewers with an intuitive and easy-to-use way to find the programs they want and to control their television viewing experience. An interactive application is one in which more than one party is an active participant. For this embodiment, one of the parties is human and the other is a software application. There are various publications describing how to construct a grammar, available from the VoiceXML Forum and other sources. ~~For a description of how to construct a grammar, see the tutorials on the VXML website, at~~ <http://www.voicexml.org/spec.html>.

Please change the paragraph of page 11, line 19 to page 12, line 3 as follows:

Application writers can chain grammars together to give users one-step access to application functionality. This is shown in Figure 2. In this example, users can say "Set Options Favorite Channel 2" or "Set Options Favorite Category Sports" to change the setting in a single step. The user utterances invoke a top-level grammar 20, 40, which links to a "Set" grammar 22, which links to an "Options" grammar 24, which links to a "Favorites" grammar 26, which links to a "Category" grammar. Thus, the values returned from the Recognizer in the first case are: "Set", Chained Command, "Options", Chained Command, "Favorite", Chained Command, "Channel 2", Channel Type. The values returned in the second case are: "Set", Chained Command, "Options", Chained Command, "Favorite", Chained Command, "Category" Chained Command, "Sports", Category Type.

Please change the heading on page 15, line 1 as follows:

Speech Controlled ~~S~~-arch Search

Please change the paragraph of page 29, lines 8-17 as follows:

Each speech-controlled application uses a set of commands initiated by either speech or input from a more traditional device such as a remote control or pointing device. Speech commands are specified in a set of grammars. There are various publications describing how to construct a grammar, available from the VoiceXML Forum and other sources. ~~For a description of how to construct a grammar, see the tutorials on the VXML website, at~~ <http://www.voicexml.org/spec.html>. For the purposes of this discussion, grammars contain a set of items. Each item contains a word or phrase that can be spoken, an associated set of attributes that provide more information about the item, and optionally, the name of a grammar that must be *imported* to complete the utterance. A grammar also has an associated set of attributes that provide more information about the grammar as a whole.

Please change the paragraph of page 30, lines 10-17 as follows:

In a hierarchical user interface, application settings can be implemented as chained commands linked into a hierarchy, e.g. from anywhere in the application, "Set Options Favorite Channel 2" to add the favorite channel in a single step. Figure 2, discussed above, shows an example set of chained grammars. When the user utters a chained command, the application can skip intermediate steps. An example user interface for this chained command according to the invention is shown in Figure 11. ~~Figure 11~~. In Figure 11, the user is in an initial application mode 110. The user initiates a set with a chained options command, and the application confirms the setting 111.